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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 838
By Fitzhugh

A RESOLUTION congratulating Ms. Rebekah Kirkpatrick on being
the 2000 Valedictorian of Ripley High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay
tribute to those persons who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to
academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Kirkpatrick is one such exceptional student who was recently
named valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at Ripley High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and
unyielding commitment of time and talent, Rebekah Kirkpatrick has achieved outstanding
academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee
and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rebekah has earned an exemplary
4.0 grade point average; and

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WHEREAS, Rebekah has supplemented her educational experience with such employment opportunities as filing insurance claims for the Farm Bureau, and filing and answering telephones for the Bank of Ripley; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah was active in her school's extra-curricular activities, namely: the Beta Club, the Baccalaureate Committee, the Future Teachers of America, the Spanish Club, the Health Occupations Students of America, serving as Class President, the Math Club Tribunal, the Number 1 Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Mixed Choir, and the Girls' Choir; and

WHEREAS, she served as Beta Club President during her Senior Year, and graduated from the National Guild of Piano Teachers, she also serves her church as the assistant pianist; and

WHEREAS, Miss Kirkpatrick's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Butch and Kathy Holmes, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That 2000 Ripley High School Valedictorian, Rebekah Kirkpatrick, be honored and commended on her impressive academic achievement, and we extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

